

PARISH NOTES

January's Communion offering will benefit **The Crossing**. Please use the special Communion envelope in your monthly packet or a pew pocket envelope.

Unhanging of the Greens will be after the 11 o'clock service **TODAY, January 12th**. If you can stay for ½ hour to 1 hour to help, we would be thankful for your time. Many hands make light work.

Grace Children's Choir practice Sunday mornings at 9am in the choir room. All children in 1st - 6th grades are welcome to join.

The 2025 altar flowers list is up. Go to the Grace Church website www.graceumcwarrenpa.com, click the sign-up button, and follow the directions. You can also call or email the church office to reserve your spot.



The Food Pantry is especially in need of **mashed potatoes, peanut butter, jelly, canned meat (not tuna)**. Thank you to all who contribute!

Covered by Grace gave out **868 items** in December! They are currently in need of **hats, gloves, and mittens**. The clotheslines stay up through February. Donations can be placed in the gray tote across from Pastor Bill's office.



2024 year end giving statements will be emailed out soon. Do we have your correct email? Please contact Meghan in the office to make sure your correct email address is on file. If you do not use email, your statement will be mailed to you.

There are still a few 2025 tithing envelopes waiting to be picked on the literature table at the back of the sanctuary.



Items for the **February 2025** Newsletter need to be delivered to Mary mary@graceumcwarren.com by **Friday, January 17**. Thank you.

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, January 12

8:30/9:30/11:00 a – Worship
9:00 a – Children's Choir
9:30 a – Agape Sunday School, Winger Parlor
9:45 a – Children's Sunday School
12:00 p – Unhanging of the Greens
6:00 p – Community Worship at The Crossing

MONDAY, January 13

5:15 p – Christian Yoga
6:30 p – Wesley Parlor Reserved
7:00 p – Ping Pong, Gym

TUESDAY, January 14

9:00 a – Pickleball
12:15 p – Christian Yoga
6:00 p – Pickleball
6:00 p – *Property Trustees*
7:00 p – Prayer Gathering, Wesley Parlor

WEDNESDAY, January 15

7:00 a – Men's Ministry Breakfast
5:15 p – Christian Yoga
6:00 p – Madrigals
6:30 p – Choir
6:30 p – CREW (Youth Group), Gilfillan Room
7:00 p – Gym Reserved

THURSDAY, January 16

9:00 a - Pickleball
10:00 a – Disciple 2A, Library
6:00 p – Disciple IV, Library
6:30 p – New Beginnings Handbells
8:00 p – Disciple 2A, Zoom

FRIDAY, January 17

9:00 a – Pickleball
9:30 a – Yarn Angels, Library
11:15 a – Fitness Class
12:15 p – Christian Yoga

SATURDAY, January 18

9:00 a – Praise Team



January 12, 2025

WELCOME TO GRACE CHURCH

AND A SPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

It is our desire and goal for you to know Christ and to make Him known as part of this worship experience. If you are looking for a church home, please consider us.

Members, Guests, and Visitors:

Please fill out a **YELLOW CARD** including any prayer requests or comments on the back. *If you wish your prayer request to be confidential, please indicate that on the card.*

PLEASE NOTE: Handicapped seating for those in wheelchairs and their families is available in the sanctuary – just in front of the sound booth.

DVDs of each Sunday's service are available. Call the church office.

LARGE-PRINT HYMNALS are available on the literature tables for your use each week.

WATCH Sunday's services live at 9:30 and 11 am on our YouTube channel www.youtube.com/GraceLiveWarren or our Facebook group www.facebook.com/groups/embracegrace

To Know Christ and To Make Him Known!

Our Core Values

Extravagant Generosity

We give joyfully of our time, talent, and treasure.

Authentic Engagement

We want to shine the light of God's love in our whole community.

Transformational Discipleship

We seek God's will and God's way for our lives.

Extraordinary Grace

We are all sinners seeking God's grace together.

Word-Centered Mission

We believe the Word of God provides the foundation for all that we do.

LAST WEEK'S TITHES AND OFFERINGS

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE (in person)	TOTAL
8:30 – 29 9:30 – 63 11:00 – 76	168
WORSHIP ATTENDANCE (online)	TOTAL
9:30 – 139 11:00 – 142	281
TITHES & OFFERINGS	\$5,747.22

DECEMBER'S BUDGET INCOME & EXPENSES

TOTAL INCOME	\$43,241.82
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$30,534.25
NET INCOME (LOSS)	+\$12,707.57

The Agape class will begin a new study by Chip Ingram titled **The Real Heaven**. The Agape class meets every Sunday morning at 9:30 am in the Winger Parlor, which is located off the foyer at the front of the church.

All are welcome to join the group for this study; however, if you have not been a regular attendee, please contact the church office or Lois Strycula at 814-728-8675 or lois.strycula@gmail.com.

This way we will be sure to have sufficient study guides.

The exact date the study will begin has not been determined. It will probably be the last Sunday in January or the first or second Sunday in February. Information as to the exact date will be posted as soon as possible. Please join us.

The Staff Parish Relations Committee (SPRC) exists to be an advocate for both the staff and the congregation. If you have questions about the staffing of our church or have an issue that you feel you can't approach a staff member with, please feel free to contact an SPRC member. The members are: Stacy Vavala – Co-Chair, Betsy Miller – Co-Chair, Art Anderson, Rick Gnage, Jan Lyle, Karen Conarro, Beth MacPherson, Marcy Jurkowski, Gary Culbertson, Pastor Bill, and Lay Leader Sue Toombs.